

System of Care Programs

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SAMHSA System of Care (SOC) Definition

- SOC refers to a coordinated network of community-based services and supports organized to meet the challenges of children and youth and their families.

SOC Definition (continued)

- The following are important components of system of care services:
- family driven;
- individualized, strengths based, and evidence informed;
- youth guided;
- culturally and linguistically competent;

SOC Definition (continued)

- provided in the least restrictive environment;
- community based;
- accessible; and
- collaborative and coordinated across an interagency network.

Target Population

- SOC programs are targeted toward children and youth with a serious emotional disturbance (SED) at risk of out of home placement or treatment or other negative outcomes
- Current SOC programs are limited to non-Medicaid eligible children and youth
- SOC programs are designed to serve children and youth in their homes, schools, and communities
- SOC programs are expected to be flexible and use principles of Wraparound to help children and families succeed

SOC Programs in Iowa

- Community Circle of Care-University of Iowa Child Health Specialty Clinics
 - Serves 10 counties in NE Iowa, began in 2006.
- Four Oaks System of Care
 - Serves Linn and Cerro Gordo Counties, began in 2012

SOC Programs in Iowa

- Central Iowa System of Care-Orchard Place
 - Serves Polk and Warren Counties, began in 2008
- Tanager Place System of Care
 - Serves Linn and surrounding counties, began in 2012

History of System of Care (SOC) in Iowa

- The first SOC program was the Community Circle of Care (CCC) and began in 2006
- CCC was funded by a federal SAMHSA grant and continued under state funding after the federal grant ended in 2012.
- The remaining three programs were added at the direction of the Legislature.

History of System of Care (SOC) in Iowa

- System of Care programs began before IHH and were created to address gaps of care coordination and community based services for children with an SED
- Prior to IHH, there was no care coordination for children with an SED other than CMH waiver
- SOC programs originally served both Medicaid and non-Medicaid programs using state program funds to help pay for care coordination, in-home and community-based services not otherwise covered by insurance
- After IHH began, the SOC programs transitioned to becoming IHH for Medicaid eligible children while continuing to serve non-Medicaid eligible children through SOC funding

SOC Services

- Services provided by SOC programs:
- Care coordination
- Family peer support
- Family team meeting facilitation
- Community and stakeholder education
- Access to mental health services and supports

SOC Services (continued)

- Funding for flexible wraparound services that strengthen the child's ability to function in the home, school, and community. Wraparound services may include in-home services such as behavioral health intervention services (BHIS), respite or community supports not available through the child's insurance coverage or that are unaffordable for the family.